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Mine 'moving forward:' uranium CEO

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The CEO of Bancroft Uranium says his company's plan to develop a uranium mine near Tory Hills has "a strong, realistic likelihood of moving forward."

In an e-mail to the *Echo*, Les Hammond says, "Bancroft Uranium believes that this deposit, with its proximity to transport and infrastructure hubs will reduce costs and make the project economically feasible."

"Additionally, the 1970 metallurgical test that shows 80-plus per cent recovery by simple gravity separation demonstrates a potential for a reliable, low cost producing uranium deposit that can be mined in a sustainable manner."

He was responding to the *Echo's* questions about a column that appeared in the *Vancouver Sun* last Wednesday.

On March 5 columnist David Baines wrote, "Hammond's controversial background is causing much unease among local residents [in Haliburton]. But I don't think they need to worry. In my view, it is highly unlikely that Hammond will ever develop a mine."

The column is part of Baines' ongoing coverage of Vancouver-based companies which are going public on what's known as the OTC

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GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo

All that snow must go

It's sometimes not a pleasant task to clean up after Mother Nature. All day yesterday Dysart roads crews were kept busy by mountains of snow that needed to be removed after a relentless winter storm that swept over the Highlands this past weekend. Roads superintendent Brian Nicholson said the amount of snow his crews have dealt with this winter is the most that's fallen in many years. Snow removal efforts will continue today so please don't park on the roads to make it easier on crews.

Highlands will cut to black on March 29

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

It's purely coincidental that a person with the last name of Black is attempting to make Haliburton County go black for one hour on March 29.

Back in January Sue Black, the station coordinator at Canoe FM, read about Earth Hour in a two-page spread in the *Toronto Star*. The *Star*, along with the World Wildlife Fund, is challenging people every-

where to turn off their lights from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. on March 29 to see how much energy we can save. Immediately Black wanted to get involved.

So, how much energy can be saved by turning off our lights for one hour?

Last year 2.2 million people and 2,100 businesses in Sydney, Australia started this global phenomenon. They proved that turning off the lights for one hour prevented the release of 25,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide into the Earth's atmosphere, which

equates to taking 48,000 cars off the road for a year—all that for one hour with the lights off.

"We had a look at it and thought it was really cool," said Black. "It's on March 29, Big Band Saturday Night with host Joan Cameron, so we passed it on to her and she was all over it."

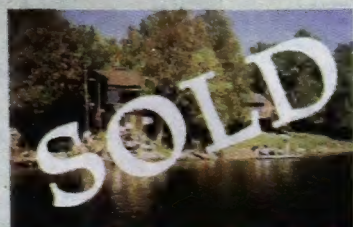
But Cameron wanted to make it bigger; she wanted to get the whole county involved and so it was decided that Black

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How's this for a fish tale? On February 27, Don Curry of Haliburton was fishing with three of his friends on 12 Mile Lake. It was four o'clock in the afternoon and he hadn't had a bite all day. He had his fishing rod propped up next to the hole when, "All of a sudden, bang, there it goes right down the hole." A fish had obviously taken the bait - and Curry's rod and reel with it. A week later, Curry's friend Jack Jackson was back on the lake, fishing about 20 metres from where they'd been. He caught something in the 63' of water - Curry's rod. The next day, one of Jackson's friends was fishing in the same spot and he reeled in Curry's reel. "What are the chances? One hundred thousand - a million - to one," Curry laughs. "I'd never heard of it before."

We hear that Haliburton native Chris Ratz has an important role in CBC TV's adaptation of Guy Vanderhaeghe's *The Englishman's Boy*. The series began last Sunday and continues this Sunday at 8 p.m.

Highlands East council appears to be ready to be the first municipality in the county to adopt its 2008 budget. At its meeting today, March 11, council plans to adopt the way it will spend money in the coming year. The meeting starts at 9 at the council chambers.

The Good Food Box program, which provides healthy foods at a low cost, will run in March in Haliburton County. People already registered with the



In late February, a fish pulled Don Curry's rod and reel into the depths of 12 Mile Lake. He's amazed by how he got them back. /Greg Hoekstra photo

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Good Friday, March 21
Choral Good Friday Service
(Combined Choirs of Zion and Haliburton United Churches)
9 a.m. Zion United Church, Carnarvon
11:15 a.m. Haliburton United Church
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program are asked to call their community contact to order their Good Food Box. For residents of Minden or those interested in learning about this nutritious program, please call Megan Stong at the Health Unit 457-1391 ext 246 to place your order by March 13. Good Food Boxes can be picked up as usual on March 20.

In last week's *Echo*, one of the little girls holding a snake was misidentified. She is Joanie Tyler. As well, Ken Sanderson was the Wilberforce public speaking judge in the photo. We apologize for the errors.

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"No matter where you go in the world, kids are kids," Major Ross Cossar told students at Stuart Baker Elementary School about the children he met in Afghanistan. "Each and every one of you has to decide whether you want to help people in the world, and make the world a better place."

GREG HOEKSTRA/ECHO



Students learn the lessons of war

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

Dressed in army fatigues and standing in front of nearly 100 students at Stuart Baker Elementary School, Major Ross Cossar could barely contain his smile.

As a member of the Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment Army Reserve, Cossar visited the school last Thursday to share stories and photos from his recent tour of Afghanistan and give students a better understanding of both the country and its people.

Since his role in Afghanistan was non-combative, Cossar's presentation focused on Canada's efforts to rebuild the nation, as well as his personal insights on the landscape, people, cities, and customs of a country that most students only knew as a speck on the map. And for nearly an hour, students hung on his every word, eager to hear the tales of a real-life soldier and learn what life is like for children just like themselves on the other side of the globe.

"No matter where you go in the world, kids are kids," he told the crowd. "They like to fly kites and they like to play games."

"Of course, they do some things differently there," he added, while showing a photo of a family of four crammed on a single motorcycle, which garnered some laughs and lightened the mood.

Cossar went on to show photos from across Afghanistan, a country that "could fit into the province of Manitoba." He shared stories about the meals he ate, the friends he made, and the homes he visited before opening up the floor to questions from the students.

When asked whether it was "fun" to be in Afghanistan, Cossar said it was the chance to work in a team and help improve lives that made his seven-month tour so enjoyable.

"I was working with other people, helping to get things done, so that was fun," he said. "Canada is just one of 37 countries over there helping, so there are lots of people working together."

However, Cossar's talk was also far from a recruitment session for the military. Instead, he simply stressed the need for people across the globe to work together and aid one another in times of need, and urged students to think about how they might be able to make a difference in the world.

"If you keep on learning in and out of school, and overcome adversity together, you can make some really neat things happen," he said. "But first you have to make that decision. Each and every one of you has to decide whether you want to help people in the world, and make the world a better place."

In an interview after his presentation,

Cossar reiterated that point, and said that his main motive when speaking to kids is to get them thinking about how they can make an impact.

"It's really about the international aspect of helping each other. I think that's the key to making this world work in a better way, and young people seem to understand that," he said.

"The kids here have sent packages to soldiers. They've been really good about learning about what's going on overseas. This was just a great opportunity for them to learn a little more about not only Canada's military, but about our role in the world."

Grade 1 teacher Meghan Kennedy, who organized Thursday's visit, expressed similar feelings. Last term her students put together care packages with former teacher Chris Bailey, so Kennedy thought it was only fitting to invite a soldier to the school to show students that their efforts benefited real people like Cossar.

"It helped them make that connection from imagination to real life, which I think is really important," she said. "We've also been focusing a lot on community helpers lately, so it was important for the kids to see that soldiers aren't just involved in war," she said. "Soldiers help the world and they help our community, and that's a really important thing for students to have learned."



Students eagerly asked their army visitor questions. The answers helped them make the "connection from imagination to real life."

Drivers play it safe during Saturday's snow storm

The fact that there were only three accidents over the weekend indicates that "drivers in the county showed good judgement by either driving according to the conditions or simply staying home," says OPP Const. Mark McMaster.

It was snowing so heavily on Saturday that many police departments were asking people to stay off the roads. While highways and roads were closed around us, conditions in the Highlands did not necessitate such drastic actions.

The most serious of the three accidents occurred early Saturday afternoon.

The driver of a truck lost control while driving south on Hwy 35 in Algonquin Highlands. The vehicle entered the northbound lane, where it was struck by an oncoming car.

The driver of the second car, 27-year-old Lindsay Archer of Minden was taken to hospital by ambulance

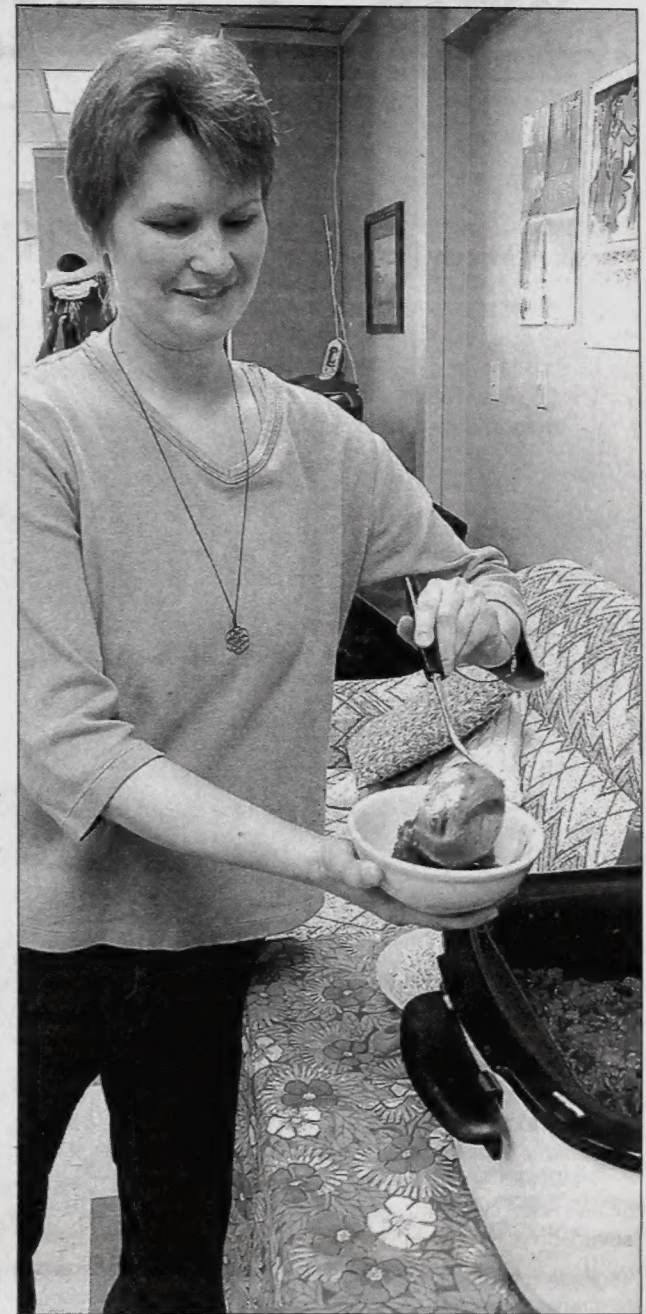
with non-life-threatening injuries.

The driver of the truck, 27-year-old Christopher Morgan of Scarborough, was not injured.

Meanwhile, Dysart road crews say the previous mark of snow coming into the yard was surpassed by the volume of white stuff that began coming down on Friday and continued well into Saturday.

Teenager found

A 15-year-old Cardiff resident who was reported missing on Thursday, February 28 has been located. Julia McKay was located on the night of Wednesday, March 5 in the Mississauga area. The Bancroft OPP detachment would like to thank the public for their assistance in the investigation.



Winter chill remover

Community Care put a little warmth into winter when it hosted a chili lunch for all the volunteers who put in so many hours to improve the lives of the county's senior residents. Bridgette Gebauer, volunteer coordinator at Community Care, made the chili which was enjoyed by almost 30 people. Last year Community Care volunteers logged 22,000 hours of community service. /Matt James photo

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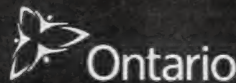


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S.R.C. 1985, CHAPITRE N-22

McCormick Rankin Corporation (MRC), au nom du Ministère des Transports de l'Ontario (MTO), donne avis, par les présentes, qu'une demande a été déposée auprès du Ministre des Transports, de l'Infrastructure et des Collectivités en vertu de la Loi sur la protection des eaux navigables, pour l'approbation de l'ouvrage décrit dans les présentes, ainsi que son emplacement et ces plans.

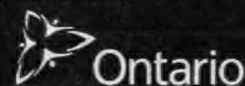
MRC, au nom de MTO, a, en vertu de l'article 9 de ladite loi, déposé auprès du Ministre des Transports, de l'Infrastructure et des Collectivités et du bureau du cadastre du comté de Haliburton à Minden (Ontario), sous le numéro de dépôt 275976 une description de l'ouvrage suivant, son emplacement et ses plans :

Reparation de l'acier à un pont existant au-dessus du Lac des Baies sur la route 35, dans la partie du Lot 30, Concession A, dans la municipalité géographique de Sherborne, dans la municipalité d'Algonquin Highlands, comté de Haliburton, Province de l'Ontario.

Les commentaires relatifs à l'effet de l'ouvrage sur la navigation maritime peuvent être adressés au Gestionnaire, Programme de la protection des eaux navigables, Transports Canada, 100, Rue Front Sud, Sarnia (Ontario) N7T 2M4. Veuillez noter que seuls les commentaires faits par écrit et reçus au plus tard 30 jours suivant la date de cet avis seront considérés. Même si tous les commentaires répondant à ces exigences sont considérés, aucune réponse individuelle ne sera envoyée.

Fait à Ottawa (Ontario) le 28^{ème} jour de février, 2008.

Sascha Schreiber, P. Eng.
McCormick Rankin Corporation



NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION ACT

R.S.C. 1985, CHAPTER N-22

McCormick Rankin Corporation (MRC), on behalf of the Ministry of Transportation Ontario (MTO), hereby gives notice that an application has been made to the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities pursuant to the Navigable Waters Protection Act for approval of the work described herein and its site and plans.

Pursuant to section 9 of the said Act, MRC, on behalf of the MTO, has deposited with the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities and in the office of the District Registrar of the Land Registry County of Haliburton at Minden, Ontario, under deposit number 275976, a description of the following work, its site and plans:

Steel repairs at an existing bridge over the Lake of Bays located on Highway 35 in part of Lot 30, Concession A, in the Geographic Township of Sherborne, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, in the County of Haliburton, in the Province of Ontario.

Comments regarding the effect of this work on marine navigation may be directed to: Manager, Navigable Waters Protection Program, Transport Canada, 100 Front Street South, Sarnia, ON N7T 2M4. However, comments will be considered only if they are in writing and are received no later than 30 days after the date of this notice. Although all comments conforming to the above will be considered, no individual response will be sent.

Signed at Ottawa, Ontario this 28th day of February, 2008.

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Friday, March 21st at 3:00pm

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Sunday, March 23rd at 11:00am

CELEBRATION OF DIVINE MERCY
Sunday, March 30th at 3:00pm
with Fr. Pat McNulty
"The Power in the Name of Jesus"

Health services defends nurse policy

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the February meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board.

Comments made at a recent county council meeting caused a brief stir during the last HHHS board meeting, prompting CEO Janice Hardy to defend the organization's hiring policy.

The comments were made by Dysart Reeve and HHHS board member Murray Fearrey, who said the local nursing shortage was in part due to the fact that Health Services advertises only part-time or casual nursing positions (which doesn't provide enough incentive for trained nurses to relocate to the county).

While this may be partly true, Hardy said the reason is not that HHHS is against hiring full-time nurses externally. Instead it's because of stipulations that require them to promote internally first.

"When a full-time position becomes available it gets posted internally first, and if there are part-time staff interested in that position then they really have first dibs on it," said Hardy. "To go externally for full-time positions, under the collective agreement, is very difficult and, most times, next to impossible. We have to consider – and want to consider – our own part-time staff first."

Hardy said the organization also needs a healthy complement of part-time and casual staff to fill the gaps at the 24-hour, seven-day-a-week operation.

"If someone is ill, takes vacation, or

needs other time off for education or bereavement leave we need to be able to replace them," she said. "And many of them are casual because that's the status they want to be at. Often times we've tried to encourage them to come on but they don't want to commit that amount of time."

HHHS currently has 21 full-time nurses, 11 part-time nurses, and nine casual nurses, according to Hardy's most recent numbers.

The organization's website also currently has an external advertisement for part-time registered nurses to work in emergency and acute care.

Doctors by the dozen

Dr. Bob Heyes reported that two new physicians have been granted courtesy privileges and are already taking casual shifts at the Haliburton and Minden sites.

In addition to that, Heyes said that another 10 physicians have applied to work shifts in the next few months through a program called Health Force Ontario.

Under the program, the government provides a stipend for full-time physicians to take shifts at emergency departments in "dire need," so long as they don't reduce services to their home hospital.

Doctors from as far as Uxbridge, Barrie, London and Windsor have applied to take shifts from March until May.

Health Force Ontario will pay them \$600 for each visit to Haliburton, while HHHS will provide 40 cents for each kilometre travelled.

Hospice gives hope

Linda May-Powers and Gina Robertson from the SIRCH Community Hospice Program attended the meeting to give board members a greater understanding of what the community hospice program entails.

Though not directly related to HHHS, the hospice program is closely related in that it provides a variety of programs and services to HHHS patients with life-threatening illnesses, families of palliative clients, individuals and families affected by Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, and to those who are grieving or bereaved.

May-Powers presented her "wish list" which included more community volunteers and earlier referrals for patients with life-threatening illnesses, so that volunteers have as much time to get to know the clients as possible.

"It's a really valuable service and we really, really rely on early referrals," she told the board.

The hospice program, which first started in Haliburton County in 1994, received its 100th referral one day prior to the meeting. There are currently 61 clients receiving hospice in one or more areas.

For more information on the program visit www.sirch.on.ca/hospice.php or call (705) 457-1742.

Annual general meeting

The board has agreed to invite Tom Closson, president and CEO of the Ontario Hospital Association, to speak at its annual general meeting on June 26 in Haliburton.

BIA wants more participation in main street projects

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Downtown Haliburton business owners are being encouraged to attend the Businesses Improvement Association's annual general meeting on Monday, March 17 at 7 p.m. at McKecks.

While many business owners are already involved with the BIA, chair Andy Chvedukas believes there needs to be more participation.

"You have to remember that everyone on the BIA is actual business owner," he says.

"And business owners as a rule are extremely busy. They've got their own businesses to run and that of course is a big responsibility to begin with, but they've also got families and they're own down time to think about.

"But we are looking for new people to come in and help out. And everybody who's on that BIA, with every spare time they get, they do help."

The BIA's purpose is to beautify the downtown core to make it more attractive for people to shop. Businesses are levied a special fee and this money goes into specific projects.

V&S department store owner Andy Glecoff says part of what's needed is a few more willing bodies.

"I think there are people that are willing to participate that are not currently participating," said Glecoff.

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12PM-1PM

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1-2PM

Keynote Speaker
Pam Sayne

The Sustainable Living Centre has been the new program area for many schools and interested workshop participants over the past year. Teaching all about sustainable living, energy conservation and environmental awareness, the Sustainable Living Centre and Classroom is offering many new and innovative programs for all ages and interests.

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March 15th

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The winter blues

USUALLY AT THIS TIME OF YEAR, the *Echo* is starting to run its "When Will the Ice Melt Off Head Lake?" Contest. After this past weekend's snowfall, we don't think we need to rush. Spring seems further away than ever.

But there is a serious side to our grumbling. This has been a very long – too long – winter. It's putting a strain on people's emotional and financial resources. Fuel oil bills keep mounting as houses continue to need

a blast of heat. Driveways need to be continuously plowed out. Senior citizens are cooped up in their homes and apartment, afraid to venture out on icy sidewalks; one slip and a broken hip can

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put them in a hospital for months.

Even though March is such a glorious month, with its strong bursts of sunlight and glistening snow-covered forests, "cabin fever" can make it hard to find the positives. We can't go out for a walk after dinner because it's too dark. It's too cold to sit outside on our decks. We are afraid to travel on snow-covered roads to visit friends and family. We've been trapped inside for too long.

Of course, the Highlands does offer many ways to get out and enjoy winter, and winter is much easier to enjoy now that the days are warmer. We have endless trails where you can ski, snowmobile or snowshoe. Sir Sam's Ski Area is going strong. Being outside is often all it takes to make you feel better.

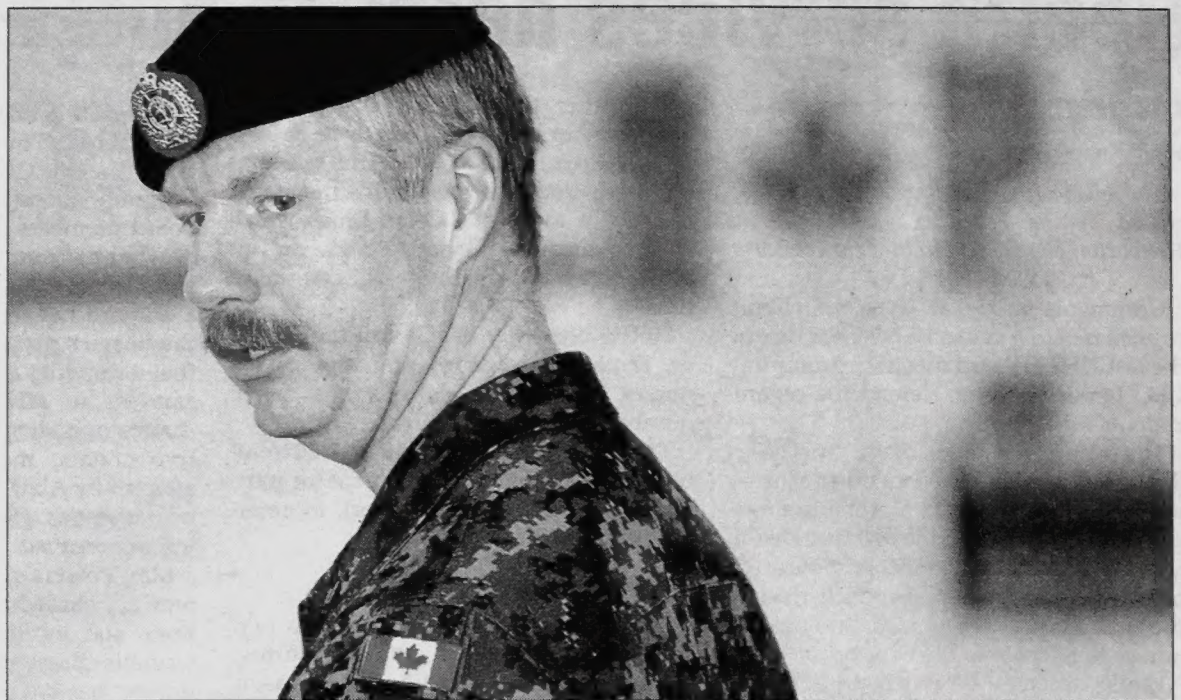
For some people, however, once depression sets in it's not something that you can simply will away. People who have depression don't control it; it controls the way they see the world. It doesn't matter how sunny the day is when you're depressed. The sun can't melt the mood.

Here in the Highlands people with depression also have resources they can turn to. The mental health clinic run by Haliburton Highlands Health Services can help people who feel they have no where else to turn. They will listen and they will do something about what they hear. If transportation is an issue, the staff will come to your house. Privacy is guaranteed.

Our local doctors are also good at helping people cope with mental illness. As general practitioners, they have to be. It is often impossible to separate our physical and mental health.

If you're feeling down, or have the blues, don't just try to get through it alone. Call a friend, call a doctor or call the mental health clinic. Make sure someone else knows how you're feeling. That's the only way you can get help.

Winter will come to an end. That ice will melt. Promise.



Wearing his pride on his sleeve

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Snowmobiles for sale?

RECENTLY, in fact in the middle of this latest winter storm, a much-heralded report was released by a group of Canadian scientists; its subject was global warming. There were a lot of things noted, but to me the most interesting was the claim that in 40 or so years, our snowmobiling season would be short or even non-existent due to lack of snow and ice on our lakes. Coincidentally, the winter of 2008 is slated to end somewhere around that time too.

The truth is, all these calls for the demise of a good old-fashioned Canadian winter seem a bit hollow as I look outside my office window and see snow banks that resemble Mount Everest.

Even so, I believe we should still prepare ourselves for a world without snow or iced-up lakes. Forty years, after all, passes in the blink of an eye.

As I see it, the first thing we will need to do is find another way to travel around on our formerly frozen lakes. We'll require a new technology, something miraculous. I envision a buoyant vessel that would keep its passengers dry and above water – it should, in essence, take the place of ice. I'm not sure what this method will be yet, but I visualize a "watercraft" that floats, seats people inside, and has some sort of propulsion system so that you can travel across the unfrozen lake.

It's not going to be easy to design one of these things, especially since we're going to need to transport it to the water – my guess is by trailer or car top – but there must be some technology we can borrow or build on to help us this craft.

The question we should probably ask our-

selves is what do they do in other parts of the world, like Florida, in January? How do they travel around on their unfrozen waters? Buoyancy, the key is buoyancy...

I'm not sure of the answer yet – I'm no genius – but let me tell you, the guy who solves the problem will be rich.

Just imagine, being able to float to your favourite ice fishing hole and drop a line without ever having to drill a hole through the ice. My only regret is that I'll be too old to ever travel in that technological wonder.

Sounds too good to be true doesn't it? But I believe with modern technology and our science, we can and will accomplish this. Call me a dreamer, but if we can put a man on the moon, surely we can conquer the unfrozen waters.

Now I know a lot of you are probably laughing at me right now but remember 30 years ago you would have probably laughed if I had told you about modern computers.

If I'm right, these unfrozen water-going vessels will usher in a new era. With them, man will be able to travel the unfrozen oceans, go on journeys atop wintry seas, and maybe even trade goods across the formerly frozen waters of the world. Talk about exciting.

Of course, many of us missing travelling across a lake on a snowmobile but, hopefully, we can make these vessels go fast enough that the sensation will be similar.

In any case, this is a problem we should try to solve soon. So, if something comes to mind, please contact me. I've racked my brains and have come up empty. I'll keep thinking, but for now, I'm going to take my mind off this conundrum and get my boat ready for ice out.



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It's almost spring when...

HE SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAYING ATTENTION. But Bruce had been having such a good time at his brother's place. The last thing he had wanted to do was search out the weather forecast. So it was with no expectations other than a three-hour drive home that Bruce set out with his daughter and grandson that day.

Traffic on the major highways was fairly light. Even though it was the start of March Break, Bruce attributed the lack of cars to his travelling on an "off" day. He assumed most people had already made their way to cottage country. Bruce always delighted in the fact that cottage country was where he lived all year round. Yes the winters could be long, cold

and snowy but HLEC1132008(1) it was a small price to pay to be able to live where most people can only be part-time.

They began to run into blowing snow when they turned off the major highway and had open farmland on either side. But it wasn't too bad as the wind came in gusts and there were periods when the visibility was fine. He just slowed down a little.

Then it got worse. The wind had picked up and was more constant. Snow had accumulated



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here and there so Bruce had to watch the curves in case the highway was slippery. He knew how slush could grab at his little car's tires. It would soon be spring he told himself, lessening his speed again, conscious of the visibility problem.

Bruce switched off the radio. He always found sound distracting when he was trying to concentrate on his driving. Not that he didn't always concentrate but at the moment he was very focused on the road ahead because it was difficult to see where the road was at times. His grandson was asleep in the back seat. His daughter in the passenger seat beside him was not saying a word and sitting quite upright. He could feel her tension as the driving conditions continued to deteriorate.

As soon as they get through this open farming area and onto the more familiar Highway 35, things will improve he told her without taking his eyes off the road. She murmured agreement but said nothing else, her eyes never leaving the snowy scene through which they were travelling.

They turned north at the lights, sighing in relief that they were now about forty-five minutes from home. Nothing could be too terrible when you're that close, they agreed with cautious smiles. Thick bush on either side of the two lane highway blocked the wind and Bruce's hands loosened somewhat on the steering wheel.

Unfortunately about five minutes later they ran into a wall of snow. Without a wind the flakes came straight down with a thick and heavy density. Bruce turned on his windshield wipers to push them out of the way but the blade on the passenger side wasn't doing a very good job, leaving grey streaks. Out of the corner of his eye Bruce could see his daughter bobbing from side to side as she tried to see around the streaks. He finally had to ask her to stop because it was distracting him.

While Bruce was breaking a new path up the highway there was the odd vehicle travelling south. Most were crawling through what was now obviously a blizzard though there was the odd maniac who seemed to enjoy driving blind. Then he saw the red Firebird pulling an enclosed snowmobile trailer. Travelling south too fast for the conditions, the trailer began to sway crossing and re-crossing the highway's mid-line as the driver struggled to regain control.

Bruce felt his entire body go rigid as he glanced to his right, just in case he had to take evasive action. Not a word from his daughter beside him. At the last minute the trailer stayed on its own side of the highway as it passed them.

They made it home. Bruce dropped off his daughter and grandson with a huge sigh of relief and continued on to his own place. When he pulled into his driveway he barely made it because the snow was as thick as a mattress. But he didn't care. He knew the sun would melt what his shovel didn't move. You know it's almost spring when you're thinking like that, he thought happily.



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In 1922 the Standard Chemical Company purchased a Lynn Caterpillar Tractor to haul their cordwood from the Loon and Miskwabi Lake area to Donald, a distance of 14 to 16 miles. The tractor drew eight heavy sets of logging sleighs with a total capacity of 50 cords of wood. It was an exciting experience to ride in the tractor cab while hauling a train load of cordwood on a down-grade over ice roads. It travelled much like a runaway freight train. Photo and information courtesy of the Rotary Club of Haliburton's book on Haliburton's 100th anniversary.

letters to the editor

Alternatives expensive

To the Editor:

According to reports in your newspaper, many people are opposed to peaceful nuclear energy. But in fact nuclear is one of the safest and cheapest ways of producing electricity. For example, if a person were to live near a properly buried radioactive waste disposal site, they would have one chance in a billion per year of dying from radiation exposure (in the first 10,000 years— after that it would be only one in a million).

The alternatives are not really very attractive; coal and other fossil fuels add greatly to global warming, while according to the book "Renewable Energy" (by H. Kaltschmitt, Springer 2007) such energy forms range from two and a half times more expensive than nuclear (for wind) to 10 times more expensive (for solar panels).

If someone can afford to pay over \$1,000/month for electricity, they may choose to oppose nuclear. But I, and probably most people, would think twice about that.

Prof. J.M. McNamee
Wilberforce

Protect the watershed

To the Editor:

I'd like to add to the ongoing subject of uranium mining. Without a doubt there is a lot of anger and tension out there. I'm starting to feel we are running after the wrong people here. Bancroft Uranium, El Nino Ventures, Frontenac Ventures... these are all junior companies out to make a buck, at whatever cost. The problem is we have a government body that allows companies from anywhere around the globe to walk into our country and tear it up.

This land belongs to the people of the present and future. The Ministry of Northern Mines and Development should have their keys taken away from them and a full review board investigate their moral practices.

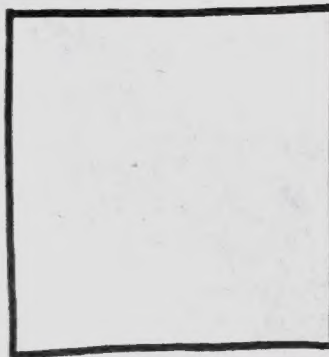
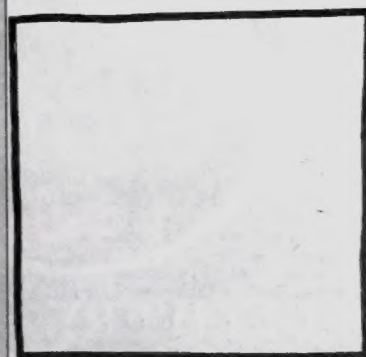
We are the people; hence we are the government. Corporate control over democracy has no future here or anywhere for that matter. We need to join together for our rights to have any strength at all.

My partner and I have decided to take a different road and that is to start by protecting our

See **Join** page 8

Boonieville

by Charlie Teljeur



Who could be against Lord's Prayer?

To the Editor:

"It's about Faith"

It's only on rare occasions anymore that I am moved to take my pen out of retirement and join the fray. Asphalt plants, gravel pits, uranium mining, libraries, First Nation claims, etc. etc only interest me for a while but Premier McGuinty has kind of stirred me up.

Praise God for Laurie Scott and her willingness to openly stand for the preservation of the "Lord's Prayer" in the Legislature, despite criticism which has begun and will likely increase.

What could any person, of any race, religion or creed, find offensive in the "Lord's Prayer"? It may be Christian prayer but it is for all mankind. Don't we all desire forgiveness "unless we're perfect"? Don't we all desire "our daily bread"? Try going without food a few days and who can argue that the will of God is only

"good" for all his people.

Finally not to be tempted by anything that would hurt ourselves or others doesn't seem such a bad thing, and being delivered "protected" from evil seems quite wonderful.

I don't know who McGuinty is listening to but I understand "where there is no counsel the people fall, but in a multitude of counsellors there is safety".

I want to suggest that as a Christian nation, with Christian values, we haven't done badly. Canada and the USA have been feeding third world countries for years, not the other way around.

We allowed God to be taken from the schools and in my opinion it's a mess and getting messier. Let's not fall into that snare again.

Richard Henderson
West Guilford

Fatal fires a horrible reminder to check fire alarm batteries

To the Editor:

With the shocking rash of fatal fires that have occurred in Ontario this winter, I am appealing to every resident of Haliburton County to drop what they're doing and test every smoke alarm in their home. Right now. If you don't have a working smoke alarm on every storey and outside all sleeping areas, put your coat on, go out and buy some and install them as soon as you get home.

Tragedies such as these are the reason the fire service takes smoke alarms so seriously and I cannot overstate their importance. The law requires one on every storey and outside all sleeping areas, but that is just the minimum. The more smoke alarms you have, the sooner you are alerted to fire and the greater your chances of surviving. For added protection, install smoke alarms inside every bedroom. You may also want to consider investing in inter-connected smoke alarms. This may seem a bit extreme, but believe me, if a fire were to occur in your home in the middle of the night and you had no way to reach your children through the wall of smoke and fire, no number of smoke alarms would seem too many. And don't forget to take a few minutes to plan and practise a home fire escape plan with your family. When the smoke alarm sounds, everyone must know what to do.

So please, don't think about it-just do it. Every storey. Outside sleeping areas. Practise your escape plan. It's such a small cost and effort for a huge investment in your family's safety.

Miles Maughan, Fire Chief
Dysart Fire Department

Join the fight against mine

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watershed. We are hoping to gather support from all of Trent Watershed stakeholders to join in on a class action against the government of Ontario to force a moratorium on uranium mining in Ontario. It is already in progress in the Ottawa region. Those involved are: Ottawa Watershed Settlers, Mississippi Watershed Settlers, Elders Without Borders.

It's only strength in numbers that will carry us through. It's for the future of not only our area but for the province of Ontario. We are organizing now and will present it to the community shortly.

If anyone would like to volunteer or has any questions please e-mail us at earthdance@teksavvy.com,

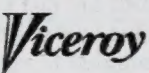
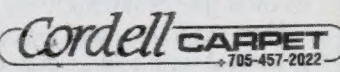
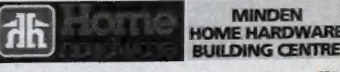
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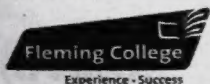
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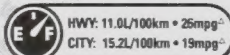
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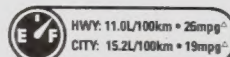
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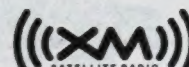
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Wilberforce residents like idea of moving library to doctors' clinic building

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

Nadeen and Ken Sanderson weren't sure about Highlands East council's idea of relocating the Wilberforce library to the health clinic, but after looking at the plans at Friday's public meeting, they changed their minds.

"We 100 per cent support a different library [location], and seeing the plans here ... [the clinic] would make a very suitable library," Ken said at the meeting in the Lloyd Watson Centre lounge.

The Sandersons had reason to be wary of the new location: they built it in the 1950s as a dairy. They even lived in it from 1967 to 1979. They had come to the meeting after hearing that their old home would now become a library and they weren't sure it would be suitable.

The building is now used by police and as a health clinic about once a month. Council's plan is to share the space between the health clinic and the library, while selling the old library building.

Reeve Dave Burton noted this would save the taxpayers a lot of money, since Highlands East would be paying the utilities on one, rather than two, buildings. The move would also increase the space

for the library from 667 square feet to 756 and the clinic is wheelchair accessible.

"Being wheelchair accessible is huge now. We were trying to put a ramp at the old building and it would cost \$6,500," Burton said at the meeting.

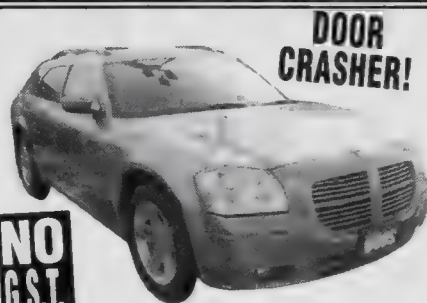
The current library building doesn't have enough room on its property to install a proper ramp. Its washrooms are also not wheelchair accessible and a lift in the building would cost \$4,200. There are nitrates in the well water and the centre beam in the main floor needs to be replaced.

The clinic, on the other hand, has a new drilled well and its washrooms are already accessible. It was previously renovated with the hope of attracting doctors.

Some at the meeting worried that the clinic would be too far from the school for the children to attend, but others noted that most of the children walk that far to school every day already.

"I think in good weather, it would be good exercise," said Hilda Clark, who was a strong supporter of moving the library. Burton said, "The beauty of this is that if a doctor came here, we can put a wing on [the building]," Burton said. He estimated it would cost about \$20,000 to fix the clinic to make it ready for a library.

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The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) has approved the 2008/2009 annual work schedule for the Algonquin Park Forest Management Unit.

The annual work schedule describes forest operations (i.e. road construction and maintenance, harvesting, regeneration, tree planting and tending operations) that may occur between April 1, 2008 and March 31, 2009.

For further information about tree planting jobs on the management unit, please contact the Area Forester, Algonquin Forestry Authority, Pembroke Office (see address below).

The annual work schedule, and all subsequent revisions, will remain available for inspection during normal business hours for its one-year term at the addresses below.

A mapped summary of scheduled forest management operations, and information regarding the annual work schedule, can be obtained by contacting the Algonquin Forestry Authority, or the ministry at the following addresses:

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Turn off the lights and help save the planet

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and Cameron would sit down with Amy Brohm from the county tourism office to try and get businesses and the public, including our youth, to sign up.

Black is asking that companies and individuals call or e-mail the radio station and register so that Canoe FM can keep track of how many people in the county participate in the event.

On the eve of March 29, starting at 8 p.m. Joan Cameron will sit in her studio, lit only by candles, while listeners are invited to do the same.

"Plan ahead," said Black. "Turn the lights out and plan a party – and, of course, tune into 100.9 FM and listen to win prizes."

Listeners win environmentally friendly and helpful prizes such as recycling boxes, reusable grocery bags and clear bags, some of which Black has already collected from the municipality of Dysart et al.

One of the positives of this initiative is that it is possible to do without having to spend a lot of money while at the same time it gets the environmental issues out to the public.

Since the decision to participate was made, all of Cameron's interviews and shows, which are Tuesday mornings from 9 to 11, leading up to Earth Hour will be about the environment.

At the moment Canoe FM is trying to organize part of a radio show with some of the Eco-team students at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden. It is their hope to record the kids' messages about how to reduce our energy costs.

"It's about the awareness," said Black. "Haliburton doesn't want to go green, we want to stay green. We are everything that people talk about wanting to keep."

Just so there's no confusion to the readers, this is not a planned power outage. You don't have to turn off all your electrical devices, just your lights. It's totally voluntary. Of course streetlights and emergency lights will stay on as safety precautions.

Black has called Hydro One to ask if it would be willing to measure the savings from the hour.

Businesses are encouraged to participate and Black says that the Delta Pinestone Resort is doing a candle-light event for guests who want to participate and have a little fun.

Black is asking business to think about what lights they're keeping on that night and to turn off any lights that are not needed.

"It's just to make people aware and then, hopefully, after the fact we can talk about it and get ourselves to Earth Day," said Black.

Now that it's March, Black would really like those who are participating to call or e-mail the station to register their name for a draw. People and businesses are asked to give their name, address, and phone number telling the station that they're going to participate. Black added that it's important to state which municipality you live in, as draws are done separately for each one.

For more information on Earth Hour visit www.earth-hour.org. To be part of Earth Hour in Haliburton County call Sue Black at Canoe FM at 457-9603 or e-mail your participation to canofem@bellnet.ca.



Canoe FM station coordinator Sue Black gets ready to flick the switch for Earth Hour on March 29 at 8p.m.

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Dads count too – starting next Monday

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

Being a dad can sometimes be a difficult job.

In a world where parenting books and magazines are still heavily geared towards motherhood, fathers often find themselves with few places to turn for advice on how to best raise their children.

Fortunately, all that is about to change here in Haliburton County.

On Monday, March 17, the Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents will be hosting an information and registration session for its new group, "Dads Count," at their Eastern Avenue location in Haliburton.

Steve Hendriks, a child and family clinician, has been hired by the organization to spearhead the initiative and lead the first-ever 10-week group, which will give local fathers a chance to meet and discuss parenting issues from a dad's perspective.

Hendriks, a father of three, says the group is open to dads with kids of all ages, from new fathers to "old hacks" who are willing to share some of their experiences with the group.

The meetings will also be informal discussions, rather than lectures, since that method lends itself more to the way men like to learn, he adds.

"We really want it to be a peer-to-peer kind of thing...you know, guys talking to guys. I mean, I could give all sorts of information and hand out two binders worth of stuff, but then the learning curve really drops.

"This will be more like kicking back and having a coffee. If I had my way, we'd do it ice fishing," he laughs.

While dads' groups are still relatively rare, Hendriks says the idea is one that is long overdue, which makes him proud to be a part of the first-ever in Haliburton County.

"In the last 30 or 40 years dads' roles have changed dramatically," says Hendriks. "Back in the 60s and 70s it was believed that dads really only spent 20 minutes of time a week with their kids. Well, that's no longer the case but at the same time a lot of the guys becoming fathers now were raised by those 1960s dads, so they are sometimes unprepared."

Topics to be tackled by the group include discipline, communication with their children, and building self-



Steve Hendriks wants men to feel comfortable at new group's meetings. "This will be more like kicking back and having a coffee. If I had my way, we'd do it ice fishing," he laughs./Greg Hoekstra photo

esteem in children. But beyond that, the group will also delve into more philosophical questions, like what a father should be and what makes a good dad.

"In many ways it's about who you want to be as a father and what legacy you want to leave with your children. It's about what you want to do differently from your dad, and what you want to do the same."

While in the past the role of fathers may have been underestimated, Hendriks says more recent studies show that children with more active and involved fathers tend to be less violent in school, maintain better

grades, and engage other people more easily.

Point in Time Executive Director Marg Cox agrees, and says that is one of the main reasons why her organization decided a dads group was something needed in Haliburton County.

"Fathers, like mothers, have a huge role to play in helping to produce well-adjusted, healthy and happy children, and adolescents, who become adults," says Cox. "We know that parenting can be a very tough job, and one that requires community support. The African adage, 'It takes a village to raise a child,' is very true. Fathers and mothers are able to do a better job parenting when they have support from the community."

However, the first hurdle the group may have to overcome, says Hendriks, is the simply the stigma attached to the idea of a support group.

"Being in a group doesn't mean you're bad at what you do. It's just that we can always be better," he says. "I'm looking forward to getting a guy in there who has a 13- or 14-year-old, because my oldest kid's heading there. I know what academics have written about the different developmental stages but I want to know what it's really like to have a teenager."

Hendriks also accepts that some men aren't always comfortable discussing their feelings but hopes that won't hold anyone back from taking advantage of an opportunity to better themselves and benefit their children. "Sometimes dads hear the word 'feelings' and seize up," he says. "It's kind of like the 'boy code,' that guys are only allowed to have two emotions: pissed off and happy. Slowly that's changing, I think, and for the better."

While the information session this Monday runs from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the Point in Time office (69 Eastern Avenue in Haliburton), Hendriks would also like to hear from any interested dads who can't make the first meeting. To register contact Hendriks at 457-5345.

Inspection

APPROVED 2008/2009 ANNUAL WORK SCHEDULE

BANCROFT MINDEN FOREST MANAGEMENT UNIT

The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (OMNR) has approved the 2008/2009 Annual Work Schedule (AWS) prepared by the Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc. for the Bancroft Minden Forest Management Unit (Crown lands within Hastings, Peterborough and Haliburton counties and the District of Nipissing).

The AWS describes Forest operations (i.e. road construction and maintenance, harvesting, regeneration, tree planting and tending operations) that may occur between April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009. These activities are consistent with the 2006-2026 Bancroft Minden Forest Management Plan. Further information about tree planting jobs can be obtained from the Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc. office at the address below.

The AWS, and all subsequent revisions, is now available for public inspection and will remain available for inspection during normal business hours for its one-year term at the ministry's Bancroft District and at the Bancroft Minden Forest Inc. office (see addresses below).

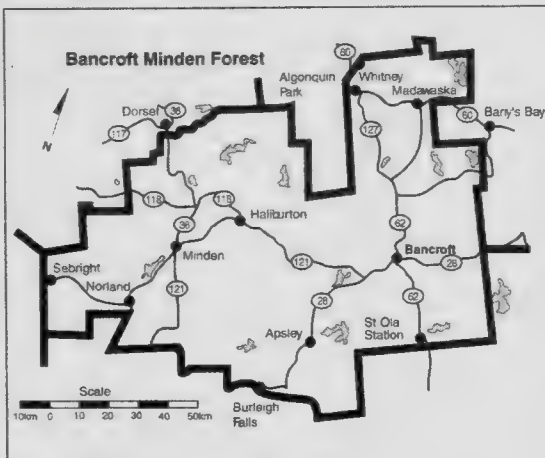
Fuelwood is available on this forest management unit. Information on the location of fuelwood areas is at the ministry's Bancroft and Minden offices (see addresses below).

A mapped summary of scheduled forest management operations, and information regarding the AWS, can be obtained by contacting the Bancroft Minden Forest Inc. or the ministry at the addresses below:

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Bo Stephenson, Jackson Garthorn, Aiden Coles and Connor Spence (from left) of the Highland Storm's junior division look on from the bench during the third period of a matchup at the 56th annual Glen Dart tournament. The tournament, held on February 29 at the Dysart arena, gives the Storm teams a chance to play against one another while wearing pro team jerseys, such as the Montreal Canadiens.

HOMETOWN HOCKEY

- Photos by Greg Hoekstra -



Sam Longo and Emily Klose of the Black Hawks celebrate a goal that tied their game at 2-2.



A member of the Predators hits the ice to warm up before the championship game.



Above: Lightning goalie Josh Bellefluer makes a dazzling stop on Ben Smith of the Canadiens, deflecting the puck just wide of the near post after a breakaway.

Above right: Kyle Grove of the Predators beats a defencemen and has only Senators goalie Alex Lopez to beat during the senior division B championship match.

Above far right: Jonathan Morrison of the Avalanche faces off against Cassie Stoughton of the Red Wings.

Right: Nick Thompson, Marlee Gadway and Kate Denniston of the Maple Leafs catch their breath in between shifts. The Leafs went on to win the Intermediate Championship by a score of 5-1.



Coach Jon Petrie has some fun on the Lightning's bench, spraying water on the heads of players Kade Bain, Cowan Toffemire and Denver Allore.

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The silver curling medalists are from left, second Curtis Nichol, vice Connor Duhaime, skip Jake Walker, lead Owen Duhaime and convener and coach Tom Dibblee.

Silver is bittersweet

MATT JAMES
Staff Reporter

The Red Hawks boys curling team just missed a chance at being able to compete in the all-Ontario finals.

But earning a silver COSSA medal on home ice is a nice consolation prize.

The Haliburton Curling Club and Haliburton Highlands Secondary School host the 2008 COSSA curling championship on March 4.

Eight teams played in a three game round-robin tournament and only the top team advanced to the OFSAA provincial finals in Peterborough April 2-5.

The Red Hawks

finished with a record of 2-1 after beating Centennial 6-4 and Hastings 5-0 after four ends.

The boys' only loss came at the hands of I.E. Weldon Wildcats who won the match 5-1 even though the Red Hawks had dominated them in recent weeks.

"It's a bittersweet accomplishment for the boys," says coach Tom Dibblee. "To

their credit, the boys re-grouped for game three as they aspired for second place."

The team would like to thank Chester Howse and the Tuesday curlers for their help and excellent ice conditions, as well as Don Wetmore for volunteering as a last-minute official.

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COACH TOM DIBBLEE

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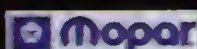
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line for removing ice huts from lakes and rivers in Fisheries Management Zone 18 is March 15 and from lakes and rivers in Fisheries Management Zone 15 is March 31.

Owners who abandon their ice huts or store them on Crown land, islands, shore lands or access points are in violation of the Public Lands Act. Owners may be fined and could be liable for removal

costs. Anglers and recreational users are also reminded to clean up and take away their garbage. To report a natural resources violation, call 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667) toll-free any time or contact your local ministry office during regular business hours. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).



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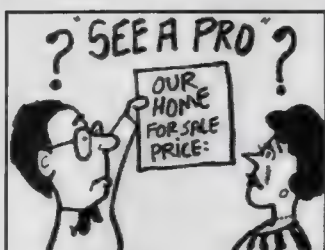
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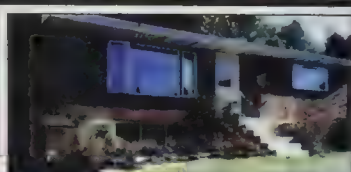
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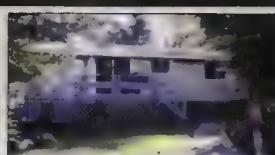
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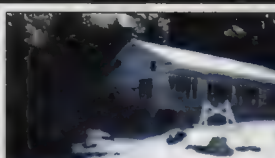
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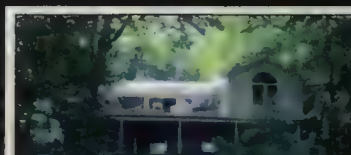
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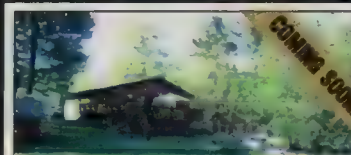
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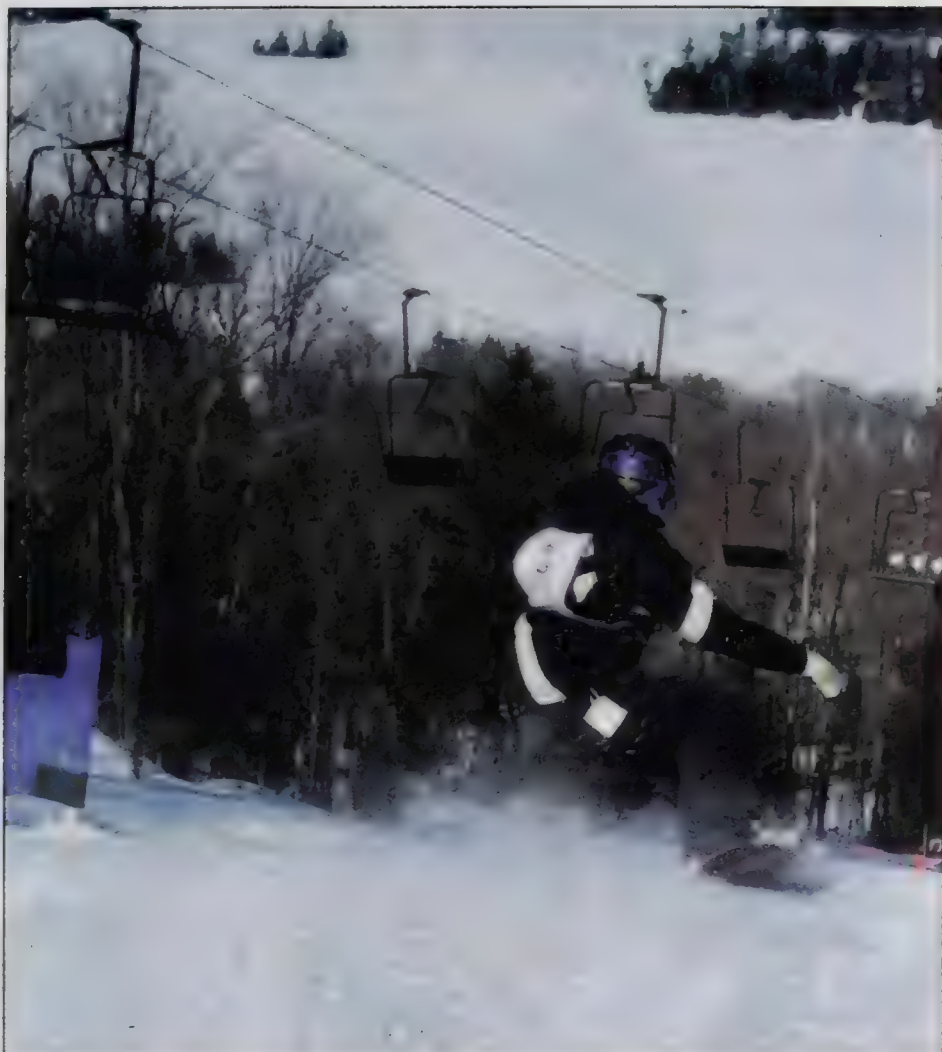


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MATT JAMES/Echo

There's gold in them thar hills

On February 28 Ariah Boots of the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School snowboard team captured a gold medal at Sir Sams Ski Area. A handful of boarders advanced to OFSAA at Collingwood on March 4-5 where Christianna Walker finished fourth in field of more than 100 racers. The girls team finished fourth overall and the boys were fifth.

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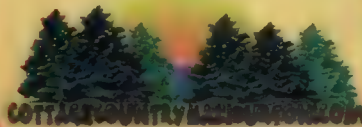
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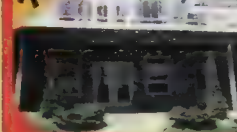


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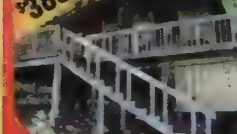
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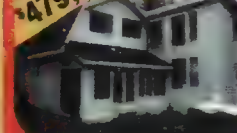
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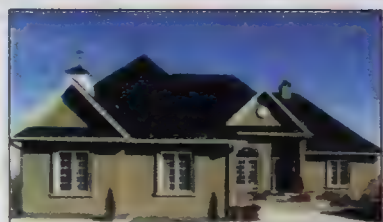


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Jessica Duchene, left, and Sandy Griffith get creative in the Similar Pairs Intermediate division on their way to first place. The Toni Carr Memorial Interclub 2008 figure skating competition took place on March 2.



Natalie Griffin hops, not once, not twice, but three times in her third place performance in the CanSkate B2 Free Skate division.



The green machine Allie Paul skates her way to a third place medal in the CanSkate A2 Free Skate division.



Hannah Reddering concentrates on the task at hand during her performance in the CanSkate B2 Free Skate division where she took second place.



Casey Pringle and Shyanna Smith dress up as Raggedy Ann and Andy during the Similar Pairs Beginner division winning first place.

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Haliburton skaters take 2nd

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Staff Reporter

The Toni Carr Memorial Interclub 2008 figure skating competition was held at the Dysart arena on March 2 and Team Haliburton, who had the least amount of skaters entered finished in second place out of five teams.

The winning banner went to Team Lakefield who earned 83 points with Team Haliburton skating up their tails with 65 points. The Haliburton Adult Team (must be 25) took the silver medal in the Team Elements and Team Relay divisions and every Haliburton skater competition earned at least one medal.

The tournament, formerly known as the Kawartha Highlands Interclub competition, was changed this year to the Toni Carr Memorial Interclub after a resolution passed by the executive committee of the Skate Canada Eastern Ontario on February 23.

Carr, a local of Ingoldsby worked for many years on the Board of Skate Canada and Eastern Ontario and was influential in promoting figure skating in Haliburton County.

2008 Toni Carr Memorial Interclub figure skating competition results:

Haliburton Club

Introductory A Free Skate Flight 1; Jessica Mooney, fourth

Introductory A Free Skate Flight 2; Bethany Little, fourth

Pre-Preliminary Shadow Dance Flight 1; Jenny Woolacott/Bethany Little, fourth

Pre-Preliminary Shadow Dance Flight 2; Natalie Griffin/Hannah Reddering, second

Preliminary Shadow Dance Flight 1; Amber Loney/Jenny Woolacott, third

Preliminary Individual Theatre on Ice Flight 2; Amber Loney, fourth

Preliminary Add on Jumps; Sandy Griffith, first
Introductory Similar Pairs Flight 1; Ainsley Little/Ian Griffin, third

Introductory Similar Pairs Flight 2; Jenny Woolacott/Bethany Little, second

Introductory Add on Jumps; Sandy Griffith, third
Shadow Skating Skills Level; Shyanna Smith/Casey Pringle, first

Junior Bronze Shadow Dance Flight 1; Jessica Duchene/Shannon McMurray, third

Senior Bronze Shadow Dance; Sandy Griffith/Chris O'Mara, third

Open Individual Theatre on Ice; Casey Pringle, third

CanSkate A2 Free Skate; Ainsley Little, second, Allie Paul, third

CanSkate A2 Men Free Skate; Ian Griffin, first

CanSkate B2 Free Skate Flight 1; Natalie Griffin, third

CanSkate B2 Free Skate Flight 2; Hannah Reddering, second

Beginner Similar Pairs; Shyanna Smith/Casey Pringle, first

Intermediate Similar Pairs; Sandy Griffin/Jessica Duchene, first, Amber Loney/Shannon McMurray, third

Open Similar Pairs; Sandy Griffin/Jessica Duchene, first, Shyanna Smith/Casey Pringle, second

Intermediate Individual Theatre on Ice Flight 2;

Shannon McMurray, second

Senior Add on Jumps; Casey Pringle, second

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Ian Griffin balances during his CanSkate A2 Men's Free Skate. Ian took first place!



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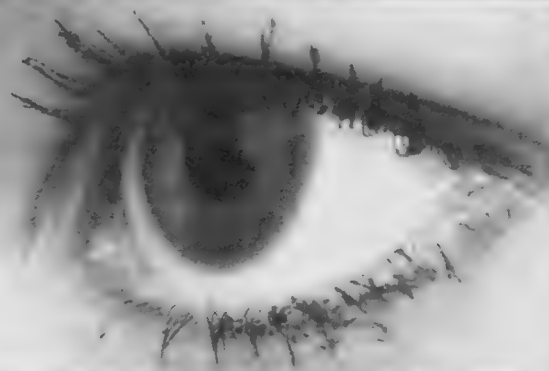
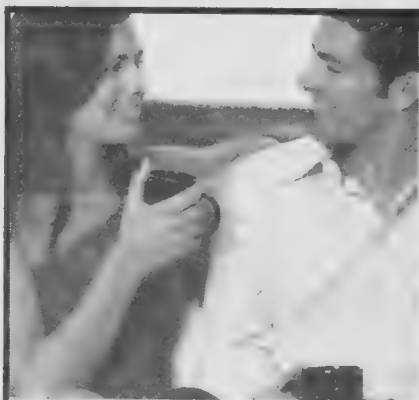
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With wisdom comes hope at World Day of Prayer

Most churches in this area participated in the World Day of Prayer service which was hosted by St Margaret's Anglican Church on Friday, March 7.

Using the program created by the women of Guyana in South America, the focus of the prayers, readings, responses, dramatic presentation, music and the message was on wisdom. Also it was an opportunity to learn, to grow wiser about Guyana.

community news — wilberforce

Hilda Clark

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This annual ecumenical service, while uplifting, was thought-provoking, reminding all of the many problems, especially for women and children, still prevalent in many parts of our world. And with wisdom of course hopefully will come action to help remedy the problems.

A very pretty quilt is now off the frames and ready for raffling by the Wilberforce Heritage Guild to raise funds for programs at the local museum.

A big thanks to those who worked on its assembly, the quilting and binding of this coverlet. They were Alfretta

O'Rourke, Sylvia Tallman, Joan Noble, Flo Elliott, Flo Taylor and Hilda Clark.

The quilt will be on display at Maple Fest at the Lloyd Watson Centre on Saturday, March 22, Easter Saturday. Do drop by and get some tickets before or after enjoying pancakes and maple syrup which will be cooked up and served by the Ward 4 recreation committee.

The intergenerational project which is bringing together older adults and the Grade 5 & 6 students from the Wilberforce School has entered a new phase. Stories from when the adults were young are now written: illustrations have been worked on.

Last Thursday at the LWMC members of the group began thinking about how these stories could be turned into presentations for an audience. They were helped with this by having presentations of various drama approaches that can be used i.e. story telling/masks, puppets and one-act plays. Faye Wilkinson, Bailey Renshaw and Kathryn Boyd were the artists that presented and will be back to continue assisting the group.

The sessions resume after March Break and will end with the publication of an anthology of the stories and a live presentation on May 2.

The Loop Troupe is rehearsing at least twice a week to prepare for its spring production which will hit the Lloyd

Watson stage on April 11 and 12.

Snow storms continue to create problems including a number of cancellations including some church services and some curling leagues. Friday's weather resulted in a very small turnout for a public meeting about the possible relocation of the Wilberforce Public Library to part of the Medical Centre.

On the whole it was a very positive meeting. The only concern was the extra distance the school children would have to walk for their bi-weekly visits. One suggestion was for the visits to possibly be scheduled near the end of the day when the bus and parents could pick the children up at the library.

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How many can say they have lived in a castle?

A Queen's University student, Abby Blythe Hagerman, has enlarged her study of history by travel now that she has accomplished her courses. A castle in England was her residence during her first year studies. Her last semester is from Guelph University. Now Abby Blythe is in India traveling with twenty-five students and also on exchange with their professor. This venture began with an archaeology dig in the southern town of Mysore for a six-week period. From there they had travelled to Jaipur where toured a monastery, experienced a camel safari, visited a tiger sanctuary, and observed a coffee plantation in the mountains. In all their India time will be about four months, and it included a visit to the holiest city Baranasi, on the Ganges River. Perhaps we'll have a chance to see a specific tale of these adventures in The Echo when Abby Blythe returns home to her parents Shawn and Diane Hagerman when this part of her education is completed.

It was St. Peter's Anglican Church's turn this year to host the local World Day of Prayer as various congregations were represented from Maple Lake United Church, Zion United Church, and Eagle Lake Church as well as St. Peter's.

The Rev. Margaret Milne addressed the chosen topic "God's Wisdom leads to New Understanding" and Kathleen Owen played the organ for the music. The program this year was developed by the people of Guyana which name means land of many waters.

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper

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LIFT met on March 6 at the Guilford Centre, this time featuring Liz Hancock who addressed the topic of abuse on behalf of the Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton Domestic Violence in the Neighbours, Friends,

and Families Campaign. Music was provided by Ruth Carter of Carnarvon and her sister, Jan Cox of Haliburton, was the speaker.

We were all devastated to hear of the sudden death of Alvin Cowen on March 6, 2008. His wife, Margery and daughter, Diane have our deepest sympathy throughout this time and over the funeral at the Haliburton Funeral Home on March 12.

Best wishes to quick recovery to Larry Hewitt and to Shane Sisson, each recovering from knee surgery in Toronto Hospital. Both were in the same hospital room and various close relatives were commiserating from here with the nurses who were on hand for them.

Fleming enrollment on the rise

The Haliburton campus of Fleming College, home to the Haliburton School of The Arts, has seen a significant increase in applications for full-time programs as well as strong registration for its popular summer courses.

Applications to full-time programs are up 7.8 per cent. Some programs such as the new Visual and Creative Arts Diploma program have seen applications double over last year. Applications have also increased considerably for the Fibre Arts program (formerly Textile Surface Design).

"We're very excited about this trend. We're getting the message out there as we continue to work with various arts communities and secondary schools specializ-

ing in Arts programming across the province. We're expanding our relationships with colleges and universities and expanding the options available for students through articulation agreements and exchanges," says Sandra Dupret, Haliburton campus principal. "With the support of our community the reputation of Haliburton as a vibrant and innovative community for artists continues to grow."

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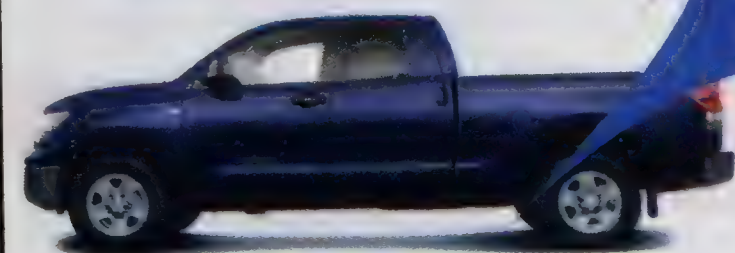
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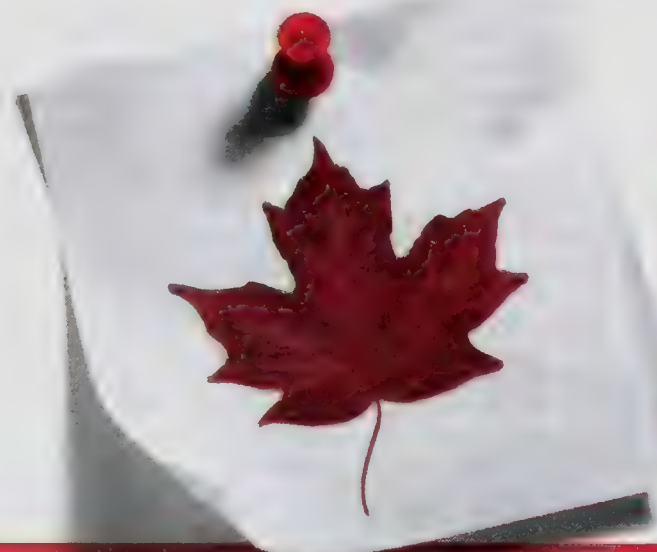


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CEO disputes *Sun* column

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(Over the Counter) Bulletin Board.

In his column Baines wrote, "Les Hammond, a former associate of Thai fugitive Rakesh Saxena, has become controlling shareholder of another bulletin board company called Bancroft Uranium Inc.

"Bancroft is proposing to redevelop a decades-old uranium project near Haliburton, Ont. This has caused much upset among local residents who fear environmental destruction and water contamination.

"In an attempt to allay public concerns, Hammond has contracted Greenspirit Strategies Ltd., headed by Greenpeace founder Patrick Moore, to handle public relations.

"Hammond, a Victoria chartered accountant, worked as Saxena's right-hand man in the 1990s when Saxena was apprehended by RCMP on charges that he embezzled \$88 million from the Bangkok Bank of Commerce.

"At one point, Hammond was charged with obstruction of justice, but was eventually acquitted. He also declared bankruptcy, but has since been discharged. Saxena is under house arrest fighting extradition to Thailand."

In his e-mailed response, Hammond writes that, "Contrary to the unsubstantiated allegation in the *Sun*, this project has a strong, realistic likelihood of moving forward. There is absolutely no evidence presented in the *Sun* article to suggest otherwise."

As to the link Baines makes with Saxena, the e-mail from Hammond says, "Mr. Hammond worked on behalf of an Asian investment banking group managing various projects in telecommunications, mining and financial services on a global basis.

"The failure of an Asian bank in the 1990s, in conjunction with the Asian financial crisis, sparked a domino effect that impacted the investment banking group Mr. Hammond was working for.

"Certain actions undertaken by Mr. Hammond to preserve the assets of the projects he was managing and to protect the interests of the shareholders were initially perceived as an obstruction of justice.

"Once the RCMP had interviewed Mr. Hammond and had all the facts they realized that Mr. Hammond had acted in a proper and professional manner under very difficult circumstances and that there was no basis in fact to support the charge. The charge was withdrawn.

"Additionally, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia did an in-depth review of Mr. Hammond's dealings with the Asian investment banking group and determined that there were no grounds to support a complaint of a breach of the Rules of Professional Conduct.

"Mr. Hammond remains a member in good standing of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of B.C."

The e-mail confirms that "Bancroft Uranium Inc. is listed on the OTC Bulletin Board with the trading sym-

bol BCFT. It intends to apply for a dual listing on the TSX Venture Exchange after completion of the N.I. Policy 43-101 compliance report, a world-wide recognized mining standard."

In an October, 2007 press release, the British Columbia Securities Commission says it "is proposing a new rule for issuers quoted in the U.S. over-the-counter markets and new conditions of registration for investment dealers that trade in these markets."

The commission says, "A disproportionate number of players in the U.S. OTC markets who engage in abusive activities have visible connections to B.C. Their activities damage the reputation of the province's capital markets, harming the interests of legitimate issuers, investment dealers, and other market participants."

The proposed rules will apply to OTC issuers with significant connections to B.C. and which are not listed

on more senior exchanges:

- OTC issuers would be subject to new disclosure requirements similar to those that apply to reporting issuers
- insiders of OTC issuers would have to file insider reports and personal information forms and
- OTC issuers could not use foreign disclosure exemptions, and restrictions would be put on exemptions Under the proposed conditions of registration:
 - all registered investment dealers with B.C. offices that trade in OTC securities will be required to have a risk and compliance system in place
 - dealers will have to follow recording and reporting conditions, and they would be prohibited from trading securities until the beneficial owner is known to them
 - the deposit of any OTC issuer securities would be prohibited until the Ultimate Designated Person (UDP) approves the deposit

A search of the OTC Bulletin Board shows that Bancroft Uranium is listed with an address in Scottsdale, Arizona, with Paul Leslie Hammond as its CEO. The site says the company "intends to develop uranium assets in North America."

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Winning speakers move on to next level

BRIAN HAMBLY

Special to the Echo

On Saturday, February 23, the Haliburton Legion hosted its annual public speaking contest. This year we had 16 speakers representing three levels of competition. The audience enjoyed an afternoon of humorous and informative

speeches. Speakers are to be commended for their excellent work, both in the preparation and presentation of their speeches.

Our sincere thanks go to the teachers and administrative staff at Stuart Baker Elementary School, and J.D. Hodgson Elementary School for promoting the contest and organizing time for the stu-

dents to prepare their speeches.

We also thank all the parents who took the time to work with, support and encourage their children in this endeavour.

Without our volunteers there would not be a public speaking contest. We thank our judges, who had the most difficult task of all. They were Luba Glachan, Suzanne Sovereign, Joe Sheridan and Barry Willhelm. Our appreciation for a job well done.

Thanks also to our Legion members who volunteered their help: Ethel Galvin, Wilf Guenette, Chris Guenette, Billy Pickard, Jack Greavette, Carla Watson, and Mary Hamblly.

The opening and closing ceremonies were conducted by President Ed Pickard.

Below is a list of the results in each category.

Grades 1, 2, and 3 Division

Speakers included Victoria Archibald, Hanna Klose, Betty Paton, Samantha Miller.

The winners were: 1st Samantha Miller, 2nd Hanna Klose, 3rd Betty Paton.

Grades 4, 5, and 6 Division

Speakers included Arianne Gervais, Katherine Leach-Russo, Charlene Hicks, Breanna Jones, Cassandra Varty, Brenden McKee.

The winners were 1st Brenden McKee, 2nd Katherine Leach-Russo, 3rd Charlene Hicks.

Grades 7, 8 and 9 Division

Speakers included Ali Hicks, Nikki Reddering, Jillian Mayhew, Rob Lewis, Megan La Pierre, Caitlyn Griffin.

The winners were 1st Jillian Mayhew, 2nd Ali Hicks, 3rd Caitlyn Griffin.

Grades 10, 11 and 12 Division

There were no entries.

The First place speakers from each group will advance to the Zone Level competition at the RC Legion Branch 129 in Haliburton on Saturday March 29.

Registration and refreshments will be at 12 noon with the competition starting at 1:00 p.m.

We wish each of our competitors continued success. If they win, they will move on to compete at the District Level.

Congratulations to all our winners. They will receive their prizes at the Youth Awards Night on Friday April 25 at 7 p.m.



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HHHS is privileged to have an outstanding team of health professionals and facilities less than a decade old. New initiatives have been undertaken in the past years to bring HHHS into the digital age and upgrades are underway to the two emergency rooms. Challenges persist in attracting new staff, meeting the needs of our aging population and anticipating and planning for the future.

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If you feel you have the time, energy and commitment to be a Director, then we would like to hear from you by April 10, 2008. The new Directors will be appointed at the annual general meeting in June.

For further information and an application package, please contact:

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Brian Hambly of the Haliburton Legion presents first place trophies to Samantha Miller, Jillian Mayhew and Brenden McKee following the Legion's public speaking contest on February 23.



SBES students Samantha Miller, Victoria Archibald, Hannah Klose, and Betty Paton (from left) were the four finalists in the public speaking contest's primary division, which includes students from Grades 1, 2 and 3. Though all the speeches were excellent, the judges awarded Samantha Miller the first prize.



JDH students Cassandra Varty, Breanna Jones, Charlene Hicks, Arianne Gervais, Katherine Leach-Russo, and Brenden McKee (from left) competed in the junior level category, which includes students from Grades 4, 5 and 6. Brenden was named the winner for his animated speech on his favourite video game.



Ali Hicks, Megan La Pierre, Caitlyn Griffin, Jillian Mayhew, Nikki Reddering and Rob Lewis (from left) were the finalists in the intermediate category, with Jillian Mayhew taking home the top prize.

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- Mar. 10-14 - Children 7-11-Pioneer Days at Ma's Little House on Head Lake. Crafts, baking, cooking, hand sewing, games, cook out, canning. Limited space call Joan Brown 457-5366
- Mar. 12: The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild is meeting at the Minden Lion's Club. Doors open at 11 a.m. Our program will be tips & techniques round robin. The general meeting starts at 1 p.m. New members welcome. Call Anita Dobell, 457-3723.
- Mar 18 - Apr 22: Babysitter Training Course - Ontario Early Years Centre Haliburton Victoria Brock - 6 sessions. Haliburton OEYC Tuesdays from 4-6pm. Must be 12 years old by June 30, 2008. Pre-registration required at 286-4625.
- Mar 20: Haliburton Well Baby Drop-in Clinic. Visit with a Family Health Nurse to see how your baby is growing and developing. Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Haliburton (Halco Plaza) from 10 am to noon. For more information, call the Health Unit at 457-1391.
- Mar 20: Haliburton County Food Handler Course. Event is held to certify food handlers in safe food handling methods. Cost \$20/person. Held at Health Unit office (191 Highland Street, Unit 301) in Haliburton Village from 9 am to 3 pm. Call (705) 457-1391 for more details and to register.
- Mar 26: Emergency First Aid & Level A CPR Course - 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 a.m. at Haliburton Curling Club, Haliburton. For further information, please call St. John Ambulance, Kawartha Branch 324-9894.
- Mar 26 & 27: Standard First Aid & Level A CPR Course - 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 a.m. at Haliburton Curling Club, Haliburton. Must attend both sessions. For further information, please call St. John Ambulance, Kawartha Branch 324-9894.
- Apr 2: VON Foot Care Clinic starting at 9 a.m. Located in the Community Care Drop-In Centre in the Halco Plaza in Haliburton. Subsequent clinics the first Wed. of every month. To book an appointment call 1-800-743-6255. Everyone Welcome
- Apr 3: Figure out Food Labels - with registered dietitian Rosie Kadwell, 10:30 am in Haliburton, 2 pm in Minden. Please call 457-1391 ext. 245 for more information and to sign up.

ONGOING EVENTS

- A pictorial essay of Haliburton County . A new picture every day at jackbush.my-expressions.com
- Adult Badminton - Mondays, 8-10 p.m. Runs until May 26/08 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden. Call 286-1765.
- Al-Anon Meetings - Haliburton Highlands Meeting, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., St. George's Anglican Church (side door entrance), Haliburton; Minden Al-anon Meeting, Mondays, 8 p.m. at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home meeting room (north entrance), Minden.
- Alzheimer's Disease - "Caring with Confidence" group for caregivers meets on the 4th Thurs. of the month at the Haliburton Hospital Boardroom at 10-12. Call Dorothy or Linda at 457-1742.
- Aqua Size for Seniors or Adults with disabilities - If you are interested, call Community Care 457-2941.
- Celebrate Recovery Meeting - is for everyone with hurts, habits & hang-ups. Lakeside Baptist Church starting at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) Call 457-2851.
- Contract Bridge - Bid Euchre - Cribbage: For Seniors (55+) or a physically disabled adult (18+). Community Care Haliburton County offers Contract Bridge Mondays at 1 p.m., Bid Euchre Thursdays at 1 p.m. & Cribbage Fridays at 1 p.m. Call Ida at 457-2941.
- Do you enjoy euchre, bridge, & other card games- Come to the Card Night at the Fort Irwin's Residents' Assoc. Hall (FIRA) on Tues. from 7-9 p.m. For more info call Ken Fuller at 754-3699.
- Easy Fit Yoga for Mature Adults - offered by Community Care every Thursday with instructor Gail Holeness. Call 457-2941 for more info.
- Emergency Response System for seniors that want the security of accessing help without reaching the telephone. Call 457-2941.
- For women experiencing any type of abuse, call the YWCA Crisis Line at 286-6442 or (800) 461-7656
- Good Food Box will run in March in Haliburton County. Please call your community contact to order your Good Food Box. For residents of Minden, please call Megan at the Health Unit 457-1391 ext 246 to place your order. Place your order by March 13th. Good Food Boxes can be picked up as usual on March 20th.

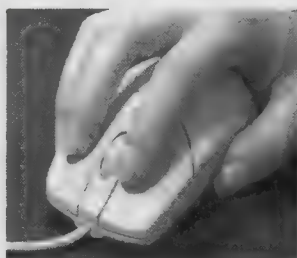
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1:00 p.m., local time, Tuesday, April 1, 2008.

For the rehabilitation of the Airport Road Bridge, located on the Airport Road, approximately 0.55 km south of North Shore Road.

The work includes, but is not necessarily limited to the following:

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12:00 noon, local time, Tuesday, April 1, 2008.

For the reconstruction of the approach to St. Peter's Road Bridge, located on St. Peter's Road, approximately 0.02 km south of North Shore Road in the Township of Algonquin Highlands.

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Announcements



Robert 'Bob' Johnson

(Resident Of Haliburton, Ontario)



At Haliburton Hospital on Monday March 3, 2008 in his 71st year. Dear son of the late Frederick & Katherine Johnson. Loving brother of Lila Gibson and Dorothy Wilson. Predeceased by his sisters Sylvia, Irene and Lorna. Bob did not have an easy life, but with fortitude, a sense of humour and a ready smile, he managed to overcome most difficulties. He was widely known as a generous and an utterly honest man.

Celebration Of Life

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George 'Alvin' Cowen

(Resident Of Haliburton, Ontario)

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FERRIER, Don - Passed away peacefully in the comfort of his home on Wednesday March 5, 2008 in his 82nd year. A lifelong resident of Campbellville, Don was a former employee of CP Rail and operator of Ferrier Vending thereafter until his retirement which he spent at his beloved cottage. Loving husband for 60 years to Velma (Mummy) Ferrier. Survived by his six daughters; Gail (David Cook) Ferrier, Judy (Ken) Hilson, Janet (Lyle) Secord, Darlene (Allan) Paterson, Debbie (Bill) Lendvay and Angela (Leo) Sawyer. Grandfather of Mamie, Gary, David, Sarah, LynnAnn, Coreen, Kelly, Lindsey, Scott and Robert and two great grandchildren; Brandon and Nathan. He will also be missed by Mary and Bill Howard, and Jackie Fisher. Friends were received at the **J. SCOTT EARLY FUNERAL HOME**, 21 James St., Milton (905) 878-2669 on Sunday March 9, 2008 from 2 - 4 & 7 - 9 p.m. A funeral service took place in the chapel on Monday at 11 a.m. with visitation from 9 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Diabetes Association, Heart and Stroke Foundation, Canadian Cancer Society or the Alzheimer Society would be greatly appreciated. Condolences and donations online at www.earlyfuneralhome.com

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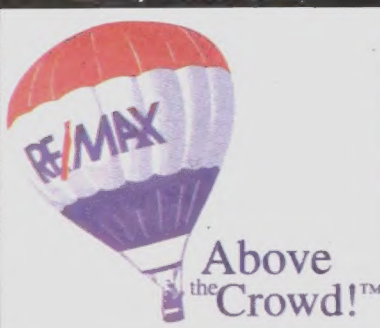
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Quality home or cottage with level waterfront, nestled amongst mature trees. This property boasts deep water off the dock, double detached garage, charming walkways & a granite patio. Expansive windows bring the light & warmth indoors, while the cathedral ceilings & maple hardwood bring add classic charm. Call Marilyn

Marilyn Hawley • Ext 237 • 457-1011

**\$248,500**

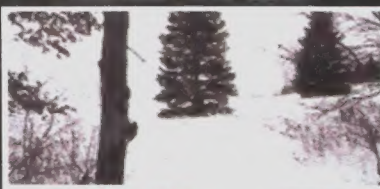
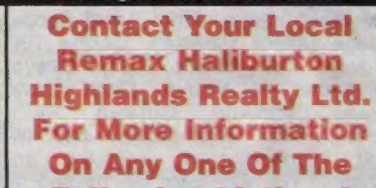
COUNTRY HOME This very well kept & extremely well built all brick bungalow is situated on a nicely treed 1.7 acre lot. Bright, spacious open concept design featuring: stone fp, vaulted pine ceiling, full fin. bsm, attached 2 car gpg, detached workshop & storage barn. A must see! www.BillKulas.com. Call Bill Kulas

Bill Kulas • Ext 44 • 286-2911

**\$564,900**

HALIBURTON LAKE 2+1 bdrm cottage/home with fully finished basement, double 2 sty garage, single garage & shed on fabulous natural lot, deep shoreline & million dollar view! Fresh red oak flr, cupboards w/granite top, island & pantry, great rm w/pine vaulted ceilings, year round sun rm, 44x12 family rm w/walkout, 3 free standing propane FPs. Too many features to mention! For pics and more info, go to www.mls.ca M58462345300027800 Call Debra Lambe

Debra Lambe • Ext 244 • 457-1011

**\$47,700****PRIME BUILDING LOT**

near Minden and a stone's throw from several fresh lakes. Year round road and a prepared driveway. The lot has been cleared and the building site is prepared. Hydro and Bell to the site. There is a drilled well and a dug well along with an older existing septic on the property. 200' of frontage and just over an acre with good privacy. Call Cathy Lancia

Cathy Lancia • 754-3358

**GULL LAKE**

Only 2 hours to Toronto. Enjoy this beautiful newer cottage year round. Easy access and great lake! Call to view. Call Lynda Litwin

Lynda Litwin • Ext 35 • 286-2911

**\$195,900**

3 BDRMS ON OVER 2 ACRES HALIBURTON Bright & spacious 3 bdrm home located minutes from Haliburton and tucked in on the most private 2.6 acre lot. Features include a fully finished basement, a master bdrm suite with a 4 pc. ensuite and sitting rm, living & dining combo, air tight woodstove and covered veranda offer warm and cozy entertaining and lots of room for the kids to roam. Call Denise LeBlanc

Denise LeBlanc • Ext 33 • 286-2911

**\$118,950**

GREAT STARTER OR RETIREMENT! Near Haliburton and Minden. Country lot with perennial flower beds, horseshoe pit and nice trees. 2 bdrm, lots of pine finishing, wood firing & cozy wood stove. Oil forced air furnace and electric system recently serviced. Next to snowmobile and quad trails, plus 1.5 garage and large workshop. Call Richard Moritz

Richard Moritz • 448-1291

**\$234,500**

Great country home, many upgrades - new in 2002: addition & septic tank, new in 2007: hardwood floor, kitchen, hot water tank, sump pump, finished basement. Wood and propane fireplaces, private lot, garage and guest bunkie, lots of decking. Deeded access to Maple Lake. Call Erin Nicholls

Erin Nicholls • Ext 238 • 457-1011

**\$124,900****HALIBURTON HOME**

Starter, rental or retirement property... you decide! 3 bedroom home with loft, main floor laundry, spacious living room. Large 1.74 acre lot - 5 kms. from downtown Haliburton. Needs some TLC. Call Karen Nimigon.

Karen Nimigon • Ext 224 • 457-1011

**\$210,000**

EXCEPTIONAL WATERFRONT LOT On premiere Kashiung Lake, southern exposure, smooth rock & sand shoreline, year round privately maintained road, hydro available. Very gentle slope. Call Marj & John

Marj Hunter & John Parish • Ext 226 • 457-1011

**\$449,000**

Considering a move to Haliburton Village? See "The Bayou Cottage, St. John's Creek", 3,800 sq. ft. of elegant living on a 1.2 acre lot. Still under construction using innovative technology. Highly energy-efficient ground source heat pumps. Pick your own finishes. GST appls. Call Elizabeth Thompson

Elizabeth Thompson • Ext 248 • 457-1011

**\$187,500****CLOSE TO HALIBURTON**

Experience the privacy from this rural retreat property w/out raised bungalow with 1,990 sq. ft. of living space. Custom pine kitchen & island, hardwood floors, w/out living area and master bdrm to the deck. Upper & lower levels newly painted. 2+1 bdrms, w/out family rm w/FP. 10 acres. Call Ted Vasey

Ted Vasey • Ext 223 • 457-1011

**\$324,999****KUSHOG LAKE**

Enjoy year round living on the lake at this 3 bedroom/2 bathroom home. Features include: propane fireplace, numerous decks, sand/rock shoreline and 300' of frontage! Call Melanie Vigrass

Melanie Vigrass • Ext 40 • 286-2911



Susan Lee • Mortgage Specialist



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